

RESOLUTION NO. 08-73

A RESOLUTION ESTABLISHING POLICY AND PROCEDURES FOR MAILBOX REPLACEMENT AND REIMBURSEMENT

WHEREAS, the Village of Antioch, Lake County, Illinois (the "Village") is a duly organized and existing municipality created under the provisions of the laws of the State of Illinois; and

WHEREAS, to accomplish the task of clearing the roads large trucks must move large amounts of snow off the roadway onto adjacent land; and

WHEREAS, during the completion of this task, it is unavoidable that some damage will occur to mailboxes immediately adjacent to the road; and

WHEREAS, the Village has created a form in which staff will notify homeowners of damage to their mailboxes; and

WHEREAS, the Village wishes to create a uniform policy throughout the Village intended to compensate homeowners for the damages to mailboxes caused by the removal of snow from the roadway.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED BY THE PRESIDENT AND BOARD OF TRUSTEES OF THE VILLAGE OF ANTIOCH, LAKE COUNTY, ILLINOIS, AS FOLLOWS:

SECTION I: The preamble to this resolution is factual and made a part of the body of this resolution.

SECTION II: The Village shall reimburse any homeowner or homeowners association *up to* seventy-five (\$75.00) dollars for each mailbox rendered unusable to the resident due to the mailbox being struck by a snow plow while engaged in the plowing of snow off of Village roads, if the mailbox cannot reasonably be replaced or repaired by the Public Works Department of the Village of Antioch.

SECTION III: Qualifications for such reimbursement will be determined by designated staff, and will only include damage caused by direct contact with a snow plow. Any damage resulting from the force of the snow will not be reimbursed.

SECTION IV: Staff will notify a homeowner if their mailbox damage qualifies for a replacement. A notice will be left on resident's doors indicating cause of damages and instructions for appropriate action needed. Forms will also be available on the Village of Antioch website, and at Village Hall.

SECTION V: In the event that a notice is not left with the resident, it shall be necessary for the resident to notify the public works department of the Village of Antioch no later than three business days after a snow event, unless the resident can show proof of unavailability. Proof of direct contact with a snow plow must be demonstrated by means of suitable evidence submitted by the resident.

APPROVED this 1st day of December, 2008.

AYES: 5: Hanson, McCarty, Crosby, Wolczyk and Pierce

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ABSENT: 1: Caulfield.